

CITEL/RES. 15 (II-98)¹

COORDINATION MEETING ON REGULATORY TRAINING

The Second Regular Meeting of the Assembly of the Inter-American Telecommunication Commission, CITEL,

CONSIDERING:

The rapid changes occurring in the telecommunication regulatory environments in member countries;

That the changes that are taking place are creating the need for regulatory frameworks that are new to the majority of member countries;

That to function in an effective manner, government officials need experience and training on regulatory issues and that access to such training is limited;

That this need for expanding access to training in the regulatory area is recognized by governments, companies, regional telecommunication organizations and institutes of higher learning;

REALIZING:

That several organizations, including the ITU, C/LAA, the North South Center of the Miami University and the OAS, are seeking effective means to stimulate the provision of training and will meet on

March 3rd in Miami, Florida to discuss potential collaboration in this area;

That by working with CITEL, the combined efforts of these groups would be most effective in strengthening existing training programs offered by individual governments and organizations.

RESOLVES:

1. To organize a coordination meeting of governments, companies and organizations with an interest in developing a mechanism to provide regulatory officials with training and expertise in a multilateral forum which draws on the experiences of both business and government representatives.
2. That this organizational meeting takes place in conjunction with the annual meeting of the CITEL Steering Committee in Washington in August 1998;
3. That invitations to the meeting be extended to all CITEL members, associate members and to organizations interested in participating.

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4. That all interested parties indicate by 15 April 1998 their interest in participating, provide a point of contact for their organization and offer comments on the draft agenda annexed to this Resolution.
5. That the designated meeting Coordinators distribute a final draft agenda to all interested parties by 1 May 98 and request at that time additional comments and feedback to be submitted to the Coordinator by 1 July 98.
6. That CITEI and C/LAA are designated as Coordinators for the organization of this meeting, and can be reached through William Moran (tel: + 1 202 4583137, fax: +1 202 4586854, email: WMoran@oas.org) or Jennifer Norberg (tel 202 466 7464, fax 202 822 0075, email norberg@claa.org).
7. That use be made of the electronic document handling capability of the OAS in the preparatory process for the coordination meeting.

INSTRUCTS:

The CITEI Executive Secretary to make the necessary arrangements to hold this coordination meeting at the OAS Headquarters in conjunction with the annual meeting of the CITEI Steering Committee, in accordance with the Agenda contained in the Annex.

Annex

Draft Agenda

Initial Coordination Meeting on Mechanisms for Regulatory Training

**OAS Headquarters
1889 F Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. USA
August __, 1998**

1. Approval of the Agenda
2. Introductory remarks by the Meeting Coordinator
3. Issues to be addressed
 - a. Proposed Mechanism for Regulatory Training
 - b. Specific Topics on which training is to be provided
 - c. Speakers/Instructors on the topics identified above
 - d. Location and frequency of programs
 - e. Funding of programs
4. Other business
5. Adjournment